

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 BUDAPE 03368 211527Z
ACTION EUR-12

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EB-08 COME-00 H-01 /022 W
-----066002 220001Z /14

R 211437Z AUG 78
FM AMEMBASSY BUDAPEST
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2264

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE BUDAPEST 3368

E.O. 11652: NA
TAGS: SOPN
SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF ARTHUR J. LUMSDEN

REF: A) STATE 181786, B) STATE 182755, C) STATE 199560

1. REF A ADVISED POST OF VISIT OF MR. ARTHUR J. LUMSDEN AND PARTY TO BUDAPEST. ACCORDING TO REF A MR. LUMSDEN QUOTE HAS BEEN MOST HELPFUL TO THE DEPARTMENT. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO AFFORD MR. LUMSDEN ASSISTANCE IN HIS TRAVEL AND REQUESTS THAT A CONTROL OFFICER BE ASSIGNED. UNQUOTE. IN REF B DEPARTMENT INSTRUCTED EMBASSY TO EXTEND TO MR. LUMSDEN AND HIS PARTY ALL APPROPRIATE COURTESIES, INVITE LUMSDEN PARTY TO SOCIAL FUNCTION IF FEASIBLE, ARRANGE FOR MS LUMSDEN TO MEET WITH HUNGARIAN WRITERS OR PUBLISHERS, PROVIDE APPOINTMENTS FOR MR. LUMSDEN WITH BUSINESS AND TRADE LEADERS, AND SET UP MEETINGS BETWEEN DR. MACDONALD AND VARIOUS ART PROFESSORS, MUSEUM OFFICIALS OR ARTISTS. WHEN EMBASSY ASKED FOR SPECIFICS ON MR. LUMSDEN'S BUSINESS INTERESTS AND BACKGROUND, DEPARTMENT ADVISED EMBASSY THAT QUOTE LUMSDEN IS VERY ACTIVE AND LIKES HEAVY SCHEDULE. UNQUOTE. IN REF C DEPARTMENT DREW EMBASSY'S ATTENTION TO BANKING AND INSURANCE COMMUNITY IN HARTFORD AND NOTED ALSO THAT LUMSDEN MIGHT ENJOY DISCUSSIONS WITH HUNGARIAN HOUSING AUTHORITIES.

2. IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTIONS, EMBASSY ASSIGNED CONTROL OFFICER AND ARRANGED FOLLOWING APPOINTMENTS FOR LUMSDEN
LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 BUDAPE 03368 211527Z

PARTY FOR FRIDAY, AUGUST 18:

MR. LUMSDEN:

0900 AMBASSADOR
1015 ODON KALLOS, PRESIDENT OF HUNGARIAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
1200 TIBOR ANTALPETER, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF MINISTRY OF

FOREIGN TRADE

1400 DR. TAMAS BACSKAI, DIRECTOR, NATIONAL BANK OF HUNGARY

MS. LUMSDEN:

0900 AMBASSADOR KAISER

1000 FERENC ZOLD, SECRETARY-IN-CHIEF, HUNGARIAN FEDERATION OF PUBLISHERS

1130 KAROLY VEBER, LITERARY CHIEF, "CORVINA" PUBLISHERS

1330 DR. LASZLO KERY, DIRECTOR OF "NAGYVILAG", DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PEN CLUB (INCLUDING LUNCH)

DR. MACDONALD:

0900 AMBASSADOR KAISER

1000 DR. VILMOS TATRAY, MUSEOLOGIST, MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

1400 DR. FERENC FULEP, DIRECTOR-IN-CHIEF, HUNGARIAN NATIONAL MUSEUM

1530 ZOLTAN VARKONYI, RECTOR OF ACADEMY OF FILM ARTS

AS LUMSDEN PARTY HAD NOT ARRIVED BY COB WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16, EMBASSY PHONED LUMSDEN MORNING OF AUGUST 17 AND SENT SCHEDULES FOR PARTY BY DRIVER TO HIS HOTEL.

3. UPON ARRIVAL AT EMBASSY FRIDAY MORNING, AUGUST 18, LUMSDEN SAID HE HAD NO DESIRE FOR APPOINTMENTS, BUT AGREED TO MEET WITH KALLOS AS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 BUDAPE 03368 211527Z

HE WAS PRESIDENT OF HUNGARIAN CHAMBER. HE ASKED THAT OTHER APPOINTMENTS FOR HIM BE CANCELLED SO THAT HE COULD SPEND REST OF DAY WITH HIS WIFE. MS LUMSDEN SAID SHE MADE NO REQUEST FOR APPOINTMENTS AND PREFERRED TO SPEND THE DAY WITH HER HUNGARIAN RELATIVES. SHE ACCEPTED FIRST TWO APPOINTMENTS RELUCTANTLY AND ASKED THAT APPOINTMENT/LUNCH WITH DR. KERY BE POSTPONED UNTIL MONDAY MORNING, MORE AS A COURTESY TO DR. KERY FOR HAVING DISRUPTED HIS PLANS FOR HER THAN AS A DESIRE TO DISCUSS SUBSTANCE WITH HIM. (DR. KERY, UNFORTUNATELY, WAS UNABLE TO RESCHEDULE AS HE WAS LEAVING FOR LONDON OVER THE WEEKEND.) MR. MACDONALD, WHO PLANNED TO LEAVE BUDAPEST ON THE MORNING OF THE 19TH, ACCEPTED HIS FIRST TWO APPOINTMENTS BUT ASKED THAT THE THIRD BE CANCELED. HE FURTHER ASKED THAT EMBASSY TRY TO ARRANGE EARLIER SECOND APPOINTMENT SO THAT HE COULD HAVE AFTERNOON FREE. EMBASSY AGREED THAT ACCOMPANYING INTERPRETER WOULD TRY BY TELEPHONE TO ARRANGE EARLIER SECOND APPOINTMENT WHILE HE WAS IN HIS FIRST MEETING. UPON CONCLUSION OF FIRST MEETING, MACDONALD ASKED EMBASSY INTERPRETER TO ACCOMPANY HIM IMMEDIATELY TO HIS SECOND APPOINTMENT, THEREBY ARRIVING UNANNOUNCED THREE HOURS EARLIER THAN SCHEDULED.

4. DEPARTMENT'S DESIRE THAT LUMSDEN PARTY FEEL WELCOME IN BUDAPEST AND THAT COURTESIES BE EXTENDED BY EMBASSY WERE CERTAINLY

MET. LUMSDEN PARTY WAS SURPRISED AT EXTENT OF SCHEDULED APPOINTMENTS AND SEEMED UNAWARE THAT DEPARTMENT WAS DOING SO MUCH ON THEIR BEHALF. IT IS CLEAR, HOWEVER, THAT GIVEN INSTRUCTIONS IN REFTELS, CANCELLATIONS WHICH LUMSDEN PARTY REQUESTED WERE CARRIED OUT ONLY TO EMBARRASSMENT OF POST. THESE APPOINTMENTS WERE SCHEDULED WITH HUNGARIANS WHO ARE DIFFICULT TO REACH AND WITH WHOM APPOINTMENTS ARE HARD TO OBTAIN. EMBASSY IS CONCERNED THAT CANCELLATIONS SUCH AS THESE WILL MAKE IT MORE DIFFICULT IN FUTURE FOR EMBASSY TO FULFILL SIMILAR REQUEST FROM DEPARTMENT FOR APPOINTMENTS.
KAISER

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: VISITS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 21 aug 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978BUDAPE03368
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780341-1296
Format: TEL
From: BUDAPEST
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780839/aaaabgiy.tel
Line Count: 125
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 2ff8dc5f-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 78 STATE 181786, 78 STATE 182755, 78 STATE 199560
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 05 may 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: N/A
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 1665768
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: TRAVEL OF ARTHUR J. LUMSDEN
TAGS: SOPN, US, HU, (LUMSDEN, ARTHUR J)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odhc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/2ff8dc5f-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014